

Remarks

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated November 16, 2007, has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

Claims 11, 12, 14, 19, 23, 24 and 41 have been amended and claims 13, 22, 25 and 26 have been canceled. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 11, 12, 14-21, 23, 24 and 41 are presently pending for consideration.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 11-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant's Related Art (hereinafter 'ARA') in view of Kameyama et al(US 6,339,501(hereinafter 'Kameyama')) and Umemoto(US 6,542,300(hereinafter 'Umemoto')). The Examiner indicated that claim 41 would be allowable if amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112. Applicants have amended claim 41 and submit that the pending rejection has been overcome.

The rejection of claims 11, 12, 14-21, 23 and 24 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

Independent claim 11 teach a combination of elements including a feature of 'the light-diffusion layer produces an amount of Haze, and a density of the projections is less than a density of beads that would have to be added to one of the adhesive layer to obtain the same amount of Haze'.

Applicants submit that the cited references including ARA, Kameyama and Umemoto do not teach or suggest at least the features of the present invention.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that that the cited references including ARA, Kameyama and Umemoto do not teach or suggest at least the above identified elements of claim 11 and that it is allowable over the cited references.

Applicants also submit that claims 12, 14-21, 23 and 24 depending from claim 11 are allowable over the cited references.

Applicants believe the foregoing amendments and discussion place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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